Re-employment of additional Director General (ADMN) of Archaeological Survey of India

3729. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an Additional Director General (Administration) of Archaeological Survey of India has been re-employed after his superannuation;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that although he is a non-technical hand but still he has been re-employed for technical advice; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI):(a) to (d) A former Additional Director General (Administration), who was a member of the Indian Audit and Accounts Service, has been given the assignment, keeping in view his experience in the field of accounting etc., only as a Consultant, for a period of one year, to review and update the Works Code which deals essentially with accounting and financial procedures of conservation works.

Swami Pranavananda awards

3730. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two of the ten awardees of Swami Pranavananda awards were also members of the Selection Committee itself;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what was the amount of Award money distributed to each of them;

(d) what is the mode of inviting application/nominations for the purpose of the said awards;

(e) whether the works on the basis of which these awards have been conferred have been published by the University Grants Commission; and

(f) what were the works that won the award for Environmental Science and Ecology?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Dr. (Mrs.) R. Madhuri Shah, former Chairman, University Grants Commission and Prof. Iqbal Narain, Member Secretary, I.C.S.S.R., who were selected for the awards, were also members of the Selection Committee.

(c) The value of these awards is Rs. 10,000/-. However, both the awardees declined to accept the award money.

(d) The awards are made to eminent scholars in the field of education, Sociology (including Social anthropology), Economics, Political Science, Ecology and Environmental Sciences, on the basis of recommendations made by a Committee appointed by the UGC. For this purpose, nominations are invited from the Vice-Chancellors of the universities; from the members of the concerned subject panels of the UGC Professors of the University Departments etc.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) In 1986, Prof. Ramdeo Misra, Fellow, National Science Academy, New Delhi was selected for this award for his work in establishing the discipline of environment and ecology in the university system. Prof. S.